

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S. 575**

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TO:	The Honorable Glenn McConnell, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee		
FROM:	Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board		
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AUTHOR:	Senator Fair	PRIMARY CODE CITE:	24-13-440
SUBJECT:	Unlawful for an Inmate to carry a Weapon - Adjudication		

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ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

Minimal (Some additional costs expected but can be absorbed)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

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**BILL SUMMARY:**

Senate Bill 575 amends Section 24-13-440 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976 by allowing a magistrate to adjudicate weapons violations against an inmate under certain circumstances.

**EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:**

The Prosecution Coordination Commission indicates there may be a minimal impact on the General Fund of the State, which can be absorbed by the agency at the current level of funding.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:**

Responses from local governments indicate enactment would increase the workload of magistrates. The impact on magistrate's court will depend on the number of additional cases arising upon enactment.

**SPECIAL NOTES:**

None.

Approved by:



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